

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA
Cr.Misc. No.23262 of 2008
CHAND GURIA DEVI
Versus
THE STATE OF BIHAR

03- 29.8.2008

Heard Mr. Yogesh Chandra Verma for the petitioner, and Mr. Parmeshwar Mehta, learned A.P.P. for the State. The petitioner seeks bail in Bagaha P.S. Case No.38 of 2008, for the alleged offences under sections 365 and 366A read with section 34 of the Indian Penal Code.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that there is limited allegation against the petitioner that she had only given accommodation to her relatives who had come with the girl. He next submits that the petitioner is aged sixty years and is in custody since 25.1.2008. He relies on the first proviso to Section 437 of the Code of Criminal Procedure which provides for a liberal approach for grant of bail to woman.

3. The learned A.P.P. opposes the application and submits that a lot of materials have come in the case diary implicating the petitioner. It is not the case that the petitioner had given shelter to the accused

persons innocently. She had taken part in a conspiracy of abduction. He also submits that a huge racket is running to abduct minor girls like the informant who is aged 13 years to draw them in the flesh trade.

4. In the facts and circumstances of the case, I am not inclined to grant bail to the petitioner. It is accordingly rejected.

(S K Katriar, J.)

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